PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Jun ABE et al.

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING BASE MATERIAL FOR OPTICAL FIBER HAVING

DEFORMED FIRST CLAD, BASE MATERIAL FOR OPTICAL FIBER AND

OPTICAL FIBER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.